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Professor Charged With Sexual Harassment

By Kristen Green
Bullet News Editor

In the first case under the college's new sexual harassment policy, three female students filed sexual harassment charges against Professor of Dramatic Arts Michael Joyce. On Monday, Joyce formally agreed to all the college-imposed sanctions sought by the women.

The women, who had been in either drama classes or theater productions with Joyce, declined to comment on the specific nature of the complaints but said the harassment was in the form of physically demeaning verbal comments and unwarranted physical contact.

Joyce, a former department chair who was recognized as MWC's top teacher in 1990 when he was awarded the school's Grellet Simpson Award, declined to answer any questions about the charges against him. "The sad thing is that the whole thing is confidential," he said.

Sophomore Emily Baird, junior Tiffany Cothran and junior Sheila Shadman filed

complaints against Joyce for sexual harassment with Greg Stull, chairman of dramatic arts and dance, on Nov. 10, 1993. This constituted the first step in the harassment complaint procedure. The women said that at least five students or former students also filed letters of support, either confirming that they had witnessed Joyce harassing the women or that they had been harassed by Joyce themselves. Stull declined to comment on his role in the case.

The women also declined to comment on the specific sanctions against Joyce. Other sources stated that the women requested that Joyce receive psychological treatment, regular evaluation by college officials, and dismissal if future harassment complaints are filed against him. The women said they did not request that Joyce be dismissed from his teaching position at the college but instead outlined sanctions that they said they hoped would correct his behavior.

"We didn't ask for dismissal because we didn't think we could get dismissed. We didn't



Michael Joyce

want anyone to get fired. We just wanted to see a change in the behavior," Shadman said.

The women said that because one of the sanctions they requested could not be met by Joyce's department chair, they followed the second step of the harassment policy last fall

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Former Professor Sues MWC For \$600,000

By Michelle Bowman
Bullet Assistant News Editor

Former Economics Instructor Anthony E. Jiminez is suing Mary Washington College and Provost Philip Hall for a total of \$600,000, alleging that the college terminated him from his tenure-track position because of his ethnic heritage, West Indian.

The case will be tried before a judge on Monday, Feb. 14 at 9:30 a.m. in Richmond. Jiminez is seeking \$500,000 from the college in compensatory and punitive damages, and \$100,000 from Hall in punitive damages. Hall declined to comment on the case.

Guy Horsley, attorney for both Hall and the college, said the college denies the allegations of discrimination.

"He was given a terminal contract because of the things mentioned in Hall's letter of May 22 [1992]: lack of scholarly input and failure to complete a Ph.D. in three years," Horsley said.

A motion for summary judgment filed by the college to have the case dismissed was

denied on Thursday, Feb. 3.

In his complaint, Jiminez claims that he was held to a set of performance standards by the economics department that were different than the standards for his white colleagues. The complaint states that Economics Chairman Robert Rycroft recommended in February 1992 that Jiminez's teaching position be terminated because his "teaching and professional activity remain areas of significant weakness as they have been in the past." The complaint states that Hall accepted Rycroft's recommendation on May 22, 1992.

Rycroft declined to comment.

Jiminez protested the initial recommendation in a letter to Hall on March 11, 1992. Carole Corcoran, associate professor of psychology, also sent a letter on March 30, 1992 asking Hall to overturn the recommendation by the economics department. The lawsuit states that Corcoran was concerned that the department's

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Left, a campus police officer writes a ticket for a car parked illegally. Below, a ticketed car with an appeal slip.
Photos by Brendan Kelly.

Leader Calls Fines 'Discriminatory' Fredericksburg Police Charge \$25 At College, \$10 In The City

By Peter Huck
Special To The Bullet

While the fine for most parking violations in the city of Fredericksburg is \$10, parking violations around the college cost drivers \$25 and college officials say the higher fine is necessary to enforce parking regulations.

Len Ornstein, president of the Student Association, said he thinks that the \$15 discrepancy between city tickets and tickets in and around the college is "totally unfair."

Ornstein said, "It's discriminatory to charge me \$25 because I live in Madison Hall as opposed to \$10 if I live on Madison Street."

Ornstein said SA is trying to lay down the groundwork necessary to stand before the Fredericksburg City Council and persuade them to

lower the \$25 fine to \$10.

"Our strategy is to take on city hall again," Ornstein said. "We have to get the ordinance changed. That takes time and a lot of research."

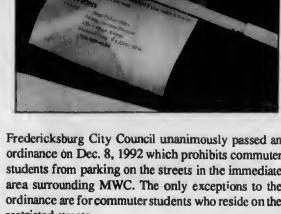
Fines issued by MWC police are payable to the college, while fines given by the Fredericksburg police are payable to the Office of the City Treasurer.

Conrad Warlick, senior vice president for administrative and student services, said that MWC raised the fine rate to \$25 after the college conducted a survey of other state colleges in Virginia and found that MWC's fine rates were considerably lower than other colleges.

Warlick said that higher fines help ensure that students follow parking restrictions on the campus.

"In my opinion, it is a good idea to have the higher fine rate because students don't pay attention to \$10," Warlick said.

After MWC instilled the \$25 parking violation fee, the



Fredericksburg City Council unanimously passed an ordinance on Dec. 8, 1992 which prohibits commuter students from parking on the streets in the immediate area surrounding MWC. The only exceptions to the ordinance are for commuter students who reside on the restricted streets.

According to the minutes for the city council meetings, the intent of the ordinance was "to complement the

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Senator Proposes New Search And Seizure Policy For MWC

Kendra L. Williams
Bullet Features Editor

At the Jan. 12 student association senate meeting, senate Vice President Aron Keesbury got up before the group of senators and drew a picture on the blackboard of room 104 in Monroe Hall. Within five minutes, Keesbury outlined the MWC search and seizure policy as found in the 1993-94 MWC student handbook, emphasizing in his explanation that the policy allows the administration to search without a warrant and later use any evidence found against the student in a criminal trial.

Keesbury told the senate that the policy is perfectly

legal. But according to MWC Police Chief Greg Perry, the school has never prosecuted criminally without a warrant because it is against the law.

Keesbury still wants to change the policy.

"The administration can go into your room with a search warrant, and if they find something they can take you to court and take administrative action. That's okay. But they can also go into your room without a search warrant, kick you out of school, then throw you in jail. This is bad," Keesbury said at the Jan. 12 meeting.

The policy states that an administrative search can be conducted of a student's room if there is probable cause that a violation of college rules has occurred.

An administrative search does not require a search warrant, and if the evidence found supports a violation, a student will be subjected to disciplinary administrative procedures. Part three of the policy also states that, if college personnel observe evidence found during an administrative search, that evidence may be used later to prosecute in a criminal court.

Perry said that, while Keesbury's explanation is not accurate, he can see where the policy is vague enough to solicit questions.

"I think what [senate] is talking about here is the seizure of physical evidence like drugs and alcohol [and part three of this policy would not apply]. There are some other situations — let's say a sexual assault occurred — and physical evidence was gathered from the victim. That can

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"MWC is an ideal terrain for bicycle units. There are plenty of places where a cruiser can't go."

-Bill Hallam,
Fredericksburg
bicycle officer

"This will give us a quicker response time," said Knick. "You can go nowhere to nowhere on a bike real quick."

Officers will patrol the campus at various times during the day at the discretion of the shift supervisor.

"The officers that are going to be able to ride are those who are very physically fit already to have the stamina to stay on the bike," said Perry. "On a day shift when the chill wears off around 9 a.m., they might want to get on the bike. If they want to stay on it until 6 p.m., when their shift stops, it's fine with me."

According to Knick, other agencies have benefited by students.

"You develop and enhance more of a relationship by being out there and closer to [the students]," said Knick. The city of Fredericksburg began a bicycle patrol in June 1993. From June until Dec. 31, when the program stopped for the winter months, the city bicycle police accounted for 20 percent of all criminal arrests, according to Bill Hallam, one of the two Fredericksburg bicycle officers.

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In Brief

International Internship Program Available Through JMU

International Internship positions are available for Fall 1994 and Spring 1995. The program offers qualified Virginia students a unique opportunity to gain professional experience on an international basis in their field of interest. Approximately 50 positions each semester are available in 10 countries.

Interested students may request the information from Judy Cohen, Program Coordinator at Paul Street House, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA 22807, phone (703) 568-6979 or fax (703) 568-3310. The deadline for applications for both semesters is March 14.

Junior Ring Week Party Suggestions Needed

Class Council questionnaires that will be used to plan Junior Ring Week (March 28 - April 2) Activities are available at the information desk in the campus center and the dome room in Seacobeck. Volunteers are needed

for decorating, invitations, master and mistress of ceremonies at Ring Presentation.

Crafts and Artwork On Sale At "Alveypalooza"

Students can sell homemade crafts, artwork and food on Sunday, Feb. 27 from 1 - 5 p.m. in the Great Hall to raise money for dorms, clubs or themselves. For information, call Heather at x4369 or go to Alvey 413.

Minority Incentive Awards Offered

The Council on International Education Exchange offers five to 10 awards ranging from \$500-\$1,000 to minorities (Americans of African, Arab, Asian, Hispanic and Indigenous Native Peoples) to encourage minority students to participate in study abroad.

To be eligible, a student needs to be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, show proof of financial need (college financial aid record) and be a participant/applicant to a CIEE-administered study, work or volunteer abroad program for summer and/or Fall 1994.

Information and application forms

may be obtained from the Office of International Programs, Room 204 or 206, x4706 or x4662.

MWC Student Wins Summer Scholarship

Paul Stewart, an MWC Junior is a winner of a full-paid scholarship (\$3,695) to study at the University of Bourgogne in Dijon, France. The Center for International Studies recently offered the scholarship contingent upon scores of 700 or above out of a possible 800 on a foreign language.

Study Abroad Orientation Scheduled

Study abroad orientation, sponsored by the Office of International Programs (x4662) will take place in the Red Room of the Campus Center on Tuesday, March 15. A panel discussing the details of studying abroad in Africa, Asia, Australia, Canada, Europe, Latin America, Russia and the Middle East will be followed by a question and answer session.

NEWS BRIEFS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MONDAY

Summer Session Start Delayed

New Beginning Date to Accommodate High School Seniors

By Antoinette Morrison
Special to the Bullet

Summer school sessions will start on May 23, a week later than in the past to accommodate high school graduates who want to attend class following a 29 to 26 vote of the Mary Washington College Faculty on Dec. 1.

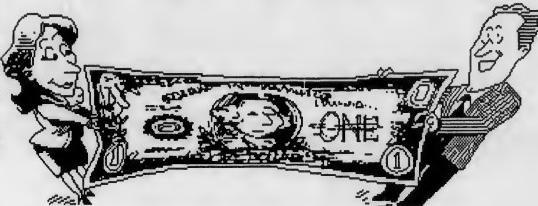
This delay, according to Edward Piper, dean of academic services and director of summer session, should not affect summer plans for students as MWC already has one of the earliest graduation dates in the state and the 1994 summer session will start around the same time as other schools.

Corrections

In last week's "Is Downtown Dying?" senior Mary Beth Fields was incorrectly quoted as saying: "This is really upsetting. I hate to see any bookstore close. I could always count on this place for a good book." This quote should have been attributed to senior Heidi Zirkle.

Graham Corbel was incorrectly spelled. His name is actually spelled Coble.

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POLICE BEAT

By Adam Pike
Bullet Assistant News Editor

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Attempted Suicide

* This week there was a report of an attempted suicide.

Vandalism

* On Feb. 1 a car was reported to be vandalized in the Sunken Road South Lot with two

Theft

* On Feb. 3 a license plate was reported stolen from a vehicle. Where or when the theft

Miscellaneous

* On Feb. 2 a local motorist blew his horn at a student riding her bicycle on College Avenue and then followed her to Trench Hill. According to the motorist, the student pulled out in front of his car, causing him to honk. The matter is still under investigation.

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Eagle's Nest Manager Dies Tuesday

By Lori S. Betourne
Bullet Editor-in-Chief

On Tuesday, Feb. 8 Tucker Arnold, a manager at the Eagle's Nest, died of a heart attack in his home. He was 47 years old.

Arnold, originally from Clearview, Pa., is survived by his stepmother, and his brothers Tom and Dan. He worked at the Eagle's Nest since September 1990.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, Feb. 17 at 4 p.m. in Dodd Auditorium. The Eagle's Nest will be closed during the service. A fund has also been established in Arnold's memory.

Donations, which will be directed to a college foundation board, will be accepted in George Washington Hall Room 109.

Jerry Kula, an ARA manager who worked with Arnold, said, "He is going to be missed by not just the students who are present here, but by a lot of the ex-employees of the Eagle's Nest and the ex-students. He had a lot of old friends."

Kula also said, "He would eat imported Swiss cheese by the pound and would drink Budweiser by the can. And don't try to offer him Budweiser in the bottle because he would go to the store and buy it in the can. That was Tucker."

Although a time and date has not yet been set, the funeral will take place at the Bennett and Houser Funeral Home, located at 312 E. Locust St. in Clearview. At least one college van will be available to take people to the funeral. Anyone who is interested in attending and would like further details should contact Jerry Kula or Kathy Underwood at 899-4326.

Peggy Williams, an employee at the Eagle's Nest, said, "I would say that I was proud to have known Tucker, because Tucker was a beautiful person. And his personality was always the same. I loved working with him."

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"MWC is an ideal terrain for bicycle units," said Hallam. "There are plenty of places where a cruiser can go."

Hallam also said the fact that a police officer on a bicycle can soften

the image of a police department.

"An officer on a bike is not as intimidating as one in a cruiser with a hat and sunglasses," she said. "They are more approachable."

While some students question whether the bicycle officers will seriously impact what crime there is

on campus, they feel that the program will help students get to know the police better.

"Often times there is a barrier there," said SA Vice President Heather Mullins. "Scooping a cop on a bike should make them seem like more of a person."

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and appealed the case to Philip Hall, provost of the college.

Hall declined to comment on the case.

The women said that they decided to press charges together because not only had they all been harassed by Joyce, they were also witnesses for each other.

"We had all heard about things that had happened in the past. When you feel uncomfortable and unsure about something, you start talking about it," Shadman said.

The women selected Allyson Poska, assistant professor of history, to be their faculty advocate. In October 1993 Poska, Baird, Cothran and Shadman met with other students and former students who said that they had witnessed the women being harassed by Joyce. Some of those students also said that they themselves had been harassed by Joyce.

"Each of us had some sort of understanding that he had violated our trust at some time, and by realizing that it was a violation of trust, we could see it happen to other people," said Baird, an economics and international affairs major.

Kris Adler, a senior performing arts major, said that she wrote a witness letter to support the women's charges.

"Michael made them very uncomfortable and I could see what it was doing to them. When I got to the point that Tiffany was hiding from Michael, I was concerned," Adler said.

"You don't want to believe it's happening but when it makes you so

"If someone is in a position of power over you, they have no right to use that power."

—Sheila Shadman, junior

women to complain who have experienced harassment within the last six months, which she said makes it difficult to show a pattern of behavior. Poska also said that the process is too lengthy because there is a 15-working-day waiting period between each step of the procedure.

"Everyone would like to have these

at the end of the school year.

"The search was done not only without my consent, but without my knowledge. It was a real blow to my faith in Mary Washington and the residence halls. I guess the whole debate centers around: is your room your home, your dormitory, or are you renting it from the school?" Nelson said.

Keesbury wants to revise the policy because he believes that the wording is too vague. "The administration probably did not intend for the policy to be vague, but then again, maybe they did," Keesbury said.

But although the motion passed in senate, there are many who the doubt the necessity of a revision.

MWC police Lieutenant Leigh Collins said that, to her knowledge, the college would never travel both routes with a search and seizure case. "If [members of the administration] decide to handle it administratively, we don't say, 'No, no, get out of the way—we're going to court with this,'" Collins said.

And there are students who believe the policy does not need to be changed, even though they disagree with it. Senior Steve Nelson said he had his room searched without his knowledge or consent when he lived in Jefferson Hall during his sophomore year. Nelson heard from a friend later that year that Nelson's room had been searched, and Nelson confirmed that knowledge with his resident assistant

administratively. We would rather deal with it here than take it to a court," Beck said.

But Beck said that just because MWC has never handled a case both administratively and criminally does not mean the handbook can be changed to insure the fact that it never will happen in the future.

SA President Len Ornstein, as former senate handbook revision chairman, believes Keesbury is going to have difficulty changing the policy and voiced strong feelings about the role the administration plays in regard to handbook changes.

"The search and seizure policy, the way it stands, is unfair. As with many things in the handbook, it's contradictory in favor of the administration. If we want something to change, we have to go through a process that takes a year. If the administration wants to change something, all they have to do is change it," Ornstein said.

Freshman Jack Carter, a senator from Bushnell Hall, said he believes that a revision in the policy will side students who have already violated not only college rules but Commonwealth laws.

"The only ones who would benefit [from a revision in the policy] would be those who already committed the problems. The point is, after [the administration] has found something that you've had in your room illegally, this is saying that they can't prosecute you," Carter said.

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college's new parking regulations. "The adoption of the city ordinance coincided with MWC's new commuter student parking regulations and fines.

"The college was first to have the penalty system of a \$25 fee. The point of the city council passing it was to bring the two policies into line and make the fine rate uniform," said James Pates, city attorney of Fredericksburg.

Midge Poyck, executive assistant to the president, said that, though she believes that a \$10 fee is not an effective parking violation deterrent, she does not think it is fair that the city charges a higher fee for parking violations in the area surrounding the college.

"If the city believes they are going to enforce parking, [the fine] has to be enough to feel the pinch, but I don't think the two [different] amounts are fair," Poyck said.

Warlick said that the city and college try to work together on parking enforcement, so that it will be as effective as possible.

"The school enforces the ordinance because it is part of our joint responsibility with the community," said Warlick. "We don't want students violating the ordinances of the city."

According to Kevin Jones, an MWC parking enforcement officer, the campus police enforce the city ordinance which prohibits MWC students from parking on College Avenue side streets, but do not enforce any other city ordinances unless a resident specifically calls to complain.

Compared to other colleges, Warlick said that MWC's \$25 parking violation fee puts the college somewhere in the middle in fine rates. However, according to figures from the parking and transportation offices at some of the other state colleges, MWC's parking violation fees are equal to or higher than most state colleges. The University of Virginia charges students \$15 for parking in a reserved area and \$10 for parking in an unreserved one. James Madison University charges \$15 per parking violation while George Mason fines \$25 for parking violations.

Poyck said that when the college raised the fine, students took parking regulations more seriously.

"[Students] were willing to pay a \$10 ticket a week for the convenience of being near the building where they had class," Poyck said.

Some students however say they think the fines are steep.

"I think the \$10 fine is high enough, especially when you get more than one ticket during the course of the year. I was ticketed five or six times my sophomore year," said senior Tim Rankin, a commuter student. But other students said that the higher fine has effected their decision to park on a restricted street or not.

"If they did lower the fine to \$10, I would ignore the restrictions, assuming I had the money. \$25, though, is too high whether I have the money or not," said commuter student Amanda Mellon, a senior.

ON CAMPUS WALK

CFA Will Study Abel's Case

At the Wednesday, Feb. 2 faculty meeting, three motions were passed by the faculty.

The faculty passed a motion that the Committee on Faculty Affairs look into issues raised by Dan Abel's case and that it make clear its position on spies in the classroom, secret department meetings to determine the fate of colleagues and chronically and aggressively late faculty performance evaluations.

The faculty agreed to form an ad-hoc committee to examine administrative salaries and to look into a formal evaluation procedures of administration. They also agreed to form a committee to look into the formation of a faculty senate in lieu of monthly faculty meetings.

Junior Class Meeting Flops

Debbie Petz, junior class secretary-treasurer said that only six people showed up for the Monday night class meeting. There are about 750 people in the Junior class.

"We need all the help we can getJunior Ring Week," Petz said.

Abram's Case Hearing Upcoming

After the change of venue to Fredericksburg was approved in the Robert Abrams v. Mary Washington College case, all the documents were transferred to the Fredericksburg Circuit Court. The next hearing in this case will be held on Monday, Feb. 28 at 9:30 a.m. in the Fredericksburg Circuit Court Building. The college will move to have the case dismissed.

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OPINIONS

Remembering A Friend

When Eagle's Nest manager Tucker Arnold is laid to rest this week, an era at this college will end. The faces that froze in the Nest on that rainy Tuesday when they found out that Tucker is gone will never forget that he was most of all a friend.

Only the ones who really knew Tucker can see how the man who always seemed to come out of nowhere everyday, feeding some dog, cooking weenies, listening and happy, just trying to keep the day shift from yelling at him just for once, could earn the respect of 80 kids who just wanted to eat the food and drink the beer. And he did. They would follow him anywhere. That's why the brass was done on Sundays and the grill was always cleaned, the dishes washed and the floor mopped, because Tucker would catch heat, and nobody wanted that.

Tucker always seemed to be one of us, to be on our side. He still is. Nobody knows how things will go now that he is gone. Certainly things will not be the same. But in many ways Tucker himself is not gone. There is now something about this most unique man that is a part of everyone who spent either five minutes or 10 years with him, something about being yourself, about not caring what others think, about being true to the ones who are true to you, about not putting up with the bull, about simple pleasures. About Tucker.

There is nobody that absolutely everybody likes. Not any more.

Searching The Handbook

There seems to have been a misunderstanding of our student handbook. We elect our senators to represent the student body. However, senators seem to be overstepping their boundaries, making random motions and ill-informed decisions which affect the student body.

Senators recently passed a proposal to change a rule in the handbook stating that the administration cannot use any evidence found in an administrative search of your room in a court of law. However, there is already a law which states this fact. Senator Aaron Keesbury is not aware of the laws saying that criminal charges cannot be brought up against a student who has violated the law if a legal search wasn't conducted. Clearly our senators are wasting their time, and ours, looking for something to change.

Most everyone has seen the show "Cops." The warrants state what officers expect to find in the house in addition to the drugs, perhaps illegal guns. If the police find something that is not stated in the warrant, they cannot use those findings in court. If the administration searches your room and finds illegal substances, they have the right to ever so politely ask you to pack up your belongings and to never come back. According to the Commonwealth law, they cannot use their findings in a court of law if the warrant does not state those specific items.

No one should be concerned about the current policy if they have done nothing wrong. The only concern any student should have is a violation of privacy, but that isn't what the policy change is even addressing.

The problem isn't necessarily what is stated so vaguely in our handbook, but rather the federal and Commonwealth laws for search and seizure without a warrant. However, the police should have good reason to go busting into someone's house, just the same as the administration should have good reason to search a student's room.

Judgment On Ice

What relevance does the Nancy Kerrigan/Tonya Harding fiasco have for students at Mary Washington? Probably not much, but the issue is everywhere. Since Jan. 6, clubbing of Kerrigan, we have been saturated with allegations, st. "ulations, and analyzations from the media. Everyone has an opinion — is she guilty or not? Should she be allowed to skate on the U.S. Olympic team in Lillehammer?

Kerrigan has actually been the beneficiary to all this, and Tonya the victim. The media has always cashed in on their differences, portraying Tonya with her "tacky" outfit, frizzed-out bleached hair, athletic skating style, and lower-class background as the villain. Nancy gets compared to Audrey Hepburn (sheer looks, no less), receives generous offers from sponsors and is scheduled to appear on Saturday Night Live. Some say the skating world couldn't have asked for better publicity. But with all the comparisons and character judgments aside, who is the better skater? Most people judge skaters by who looks better.

It comes down to the fact that Jeff Gillooly and company (including Harding or not), deliberately planned to harm Nancy Kerrigan and take away her opportunity to compete. But Harding deserves as fair an assessment as any other American citizen. Hopefully, when the U.S. Olympic Committee meets on Feb. 15, a fair and well-informed verdict will be made. But even if Harding was involved in the plot to take away Kerrigan's right to compete, the media should not judge her until she is found guilty or innocent.



Men Have Role In Preventing Pregnancy

Mary Rigsby
Guest Columnist

Though I understand that the underlying motivation of Professor Moeller's column "Value Of Life Often More Important Than Freedom" [Jan. 24, 1994] is well-intentioned, the column illustrates two aspects of the impasse that currently characterizes the abortion debate in this country.

First, an inordinate number of individuals who desire, once and for all, to settle the issue of abortion have very little real knowledge of the complexity of the debate, and so they either misrepresent their opposition with simple-minded, straw-filled caricatures or they repeat the same tired points that have been made before and that remain unconvincing. Consequently, positions become more entrenched, and we have little to show for the efforts beyond heightened self-righteousness and impatience.

Second, and more importantly, it is time for us to pay attention to the fact that the debate has largely been a debate among men. Think about it for a minute. Only women have abortions. Women are most immediately and intimately affected by the consequences of restricting or not restricting abortions. Most of the arguments frame the "problem" as a problem of irresponsible or self-centered women who "get pregnant. But — and this is a very big BUT — institutions of power in our society have been exclusively male for nearly all of American history — with some modest changes only in recent decades. Consequently, in spite of the commitment and courage of many women who have dedicated their lives to one side or the other of the abortion debate, the real power has always belonged to men. Women's voices and preferences are marginalized because men have the amplification provided by their greater access to real power. For all practical purposes,

it has been male lawyers, judges, and legislators who have debated and who continue to debate the legality of abortion. Male physicians debate the biology of it. Male religious leaders debate the morality of it. Does this strike you, as it does me, as inappropriate?

And, in spite of all this male energy, what do we have? We have an impasse with no immediate resolution in sight, a continuing tug-of-war with an endless supply of memos offering women guidance about "a woman's right to choose."

Clearly our focus needs to be redirected. What has been peripheral needs to be made central. Responsibility needs to be redefined. Men should no longer feel justified in monopolizing the discourse, nor should they feel comfortable speaking for women or about women's bodies.

I see two necessary conditions for getting us out of this impasse. First, it

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Letters To The Editor

Picnics Not Tactics For Improving Safety

After reading "Hail to the Chief" in the Jan. 27 Bullet about Chief Perry's "new wind" in the police department, I was disappointed. New dress-codes for the officers and cookouts around the fountain are nice, but how helpful are they in improving "the safety of the campus community?"

If I sound bitter and annoyed, I am. I apologize, but I was upset to learn of the Dec. 8 assault between Seacobeck and the Ridderhof Martin art gallery. Two months prior to this incident, I was assaulted in the same area and roughly around the same time. I was returning to my house (after attending an on-campus party) which is more or less across the street from the college. It was determined by the campus police that my attacker waited until I was in the area by Seacobeck.

Now, when I discover that someone else was attacked in the same area, I have two regrets. I regret that I was not able to make a positive identification of my attacker. Perhaps, if I had been able to do so, this would not have happened again. My other regret is that nothing had been done to improve the safety of the area. Obviously this spot on campus has problems. How many students need to be assaulted before something is done?

Not that the improvements Chief Perry suggests are without value, but I feel there are more important issues to focus on concerning the safety of the campus community.

Amy Seitz
senior

Biology Professor's Style Missed

Dan Abel's ["Defending Academic Freedom"; Jan. 27] column described the unfair and unprofessional treatment he received while teaching at the college and applying for tenure. I have had Dr. Abel for several courses, and not only did I learn more in those than any other biology classes I have taken, but he also helped me decide what area of study I wanted to continue. He had a unique talent for making some of the more mundane aspects of the major seem not only interesting but relevant to my life. In fact, in my opinion, he was the most inspiring, helpful and approachable professor in the department.

It greatly upsets me to hear about the unfair manner by which his colleagues treated him, due only to his uncommon but innovative teaching style. As a senior biology major, I have had many professors in the department, and until a few months ago, I respected each of them because they were open-minded and fair. After personally hearing about Dr. Abel's case and the blatant way the department attempted to get rid of him, I will no longer look towards many of these professors in the same way. This is no way for such a capable professor to be treated, and although I am very sorry to see him go, I completely support his decision.

Academic freedom and impartial treatment within a professional environment are too important to be ignored.

Pamela Jensen
senior

Professor Linked Lessons With Life

Dr. Dan Abel challenged his students with a solid base curriculum in the classroom and the laboratory. He also saved time at the end of his class to link his lecture material to issues that impact human lives. His "crime" involved raising important biotical dilemmas involving issues such as the implications of environmental abuses, AIDS and genetic engineering.

He encouraged students to think about these issues. We need to be conscious of these realities to become responsible inhabitants of our biosphere, planet Earth. How we deal with these issues now may directly affect us and our children. In "liberal arts" environment of intellectual enlightenment and exploration, his originality should have been rewarded.

A computer can present data to students. Any student can learn a series of facts for an exam and even achieve high marks, only to forget them shortly afterwards. Professor Abel dared to allow his students to

apply human meaning to the data learned. He taught the hard, scientific facts and taught them well, but he also presented science with a "heart."

I happen to believe that those who stonewalled him did not like his style. Maybe his informal dress did not represent the "proper" hierarchical gap between students and professors. Maybe he treated his students with the respect and dignity that they gave him. Did this kind of behavior threaten those who sought to stifle him? Maybe...

I challenge other innovative professors to take heed, lest they fall victim to the power of an unfair and closed system, subject to the silent tyranny of groupthink. To the Student Senate, represent those who elected you. Find out why these practices are allowed to exist.

Dan Abel was always approachable and helpful, even when he was busy. He spent many hours of his precious time at MWC breaking through the drabness of conformity that infects our educational system like a paralyzing disease. Dr. Abel's

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Discourse On Discourse

B.K. Faunce
Guest Columnist

Cheers to the courageous jurors in the Lorena Bobbit trial. Violence against women has reached epidemic proportions in recent years, and it's about time their experiences were taken seriously. However, Tom Williamson, president of something called "National Coalition of Free Men" (an oxymoron if there ever was one), said the decision in Ms. Bobbit's trial represents "the condoning of taking matters, and the law, into [women's] hands and going to any lengths — even jungle savagery, mutilation and brutality." Jungle savagery? What planet does this guy live on? So what was Talibkhan then, a Sunday picnic? And wouldn't that just bust your balloons if women took the "law" into their own hands?

Remember the woman in Georgia who was beaten and raped by her husband? The judge threw the case out because the law said, if she was married to him, it couldn't be rape. To say that the people sitting in judgment of Lorena Bobbit were condoning violence is not only nonsense, but it denies reality. The violence is already here. It's just that now the discourse has shifted, and what those jurors were listening to was something much more basic: beat me, kick me, humiliate me, rape me and guess what?

Ollie North for Senator? Well, let's see now. He's lied to Congress, shredded government documents, falsified records and stolen taxpayers' money. Heck, the guy's perfect. He'll fight in with all those other idiots in Washington. Selling weapons to terrorists? Well now why should that bother anyone? Reagan and Bush made a living out of it, and they're heroes too, right?

Ollie shouldn't defend himself for selling weapons to terrorists on the basis that he was "saving hostages' lives," or that his secret operation was ultimately successful. The fact is, the Reagan Administration began selling weapons to Ayatollah Khomeini in March 1981, barely two months after Reagan's inauguration. But there were no hostages in March 1981. And don't tell me they were concerned about a balance of power with the

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creativity was a treatment to educational mediocrity, ignorantly withheld.

Will Shelburne
senior

Intuitions Affect Bodies, Babies

With all due respect to Dr. Thomas Moeller, whom I know to be an excellent professor, I find that I cannot let his column "Value Of Life Often More Important Than Freedom" (Jan. 27) go by without commenting on what I consider to be a number of erroneous assumptions.

A pervasive myth in our culture is that it has been proven, or is at least provable, that human life begins at conception and that therefore, abortion is murder of a person. Personhood at conception is a religious belief, not a provable biological fact. Roman Catholic, Mormon, and some fundamentalist churches have doctrines of personhood at conception; among other religions, ensoulment theories vary. For agnostics or atheists, the idea of ensoulment may be a moot concept. Dr. Moeller, by appealing to our "intuitive insight," is really appealing to our presumed religious training. For many pro-choice people, their "intuitive insight" dictates that the right to control one's own body is fundamental to true personhood.

As for the assumption that pro-choice people conceptualize the fetus as a "blob of tissue": this is an oversimplification. I have never met a pro-choice person who denies that the fetus is a potential person as it develops from a fertilized egg to a full-term fetus ready for birth. Pro-choice advocates oppose imposing religious beliefs of a minority on everyone by legislating personhood at some moment before birth; we do not have a unanimous agreement about what a first-trimester fetus is or when that fetus is a justifiable person.

A number of testimonial are included in the column from women who have experienced emotional devastation due to miscarriages. Their grief and their conviction that the miscarried fetuses were human babies are given as proof that "instinctively" we know abortion is murder. If this were the case, women who had abortions would surely be overwhelmed with their grief at the loss of a child as a result of their own decision. However, the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences has concluded that abortion is not connected to an increased incidence of mental illness. Furthermore, while some women experience feelings of guilt or depression after an abortion, a higher percentage of women experience postpartum depression. Perhaps we should accept these women's feelings as subjective emotional responses to certain stimuli, not as proof one way or the other that abortion is or is not murder.

Finally, while we are lucky indeed that Wynonna Judd's mother as an unwed teenager decided to have her child and was possessed of enough financial and emotional resources to raise her daughter, if we were to follow

this line of logic: what a shame that Hitler's mother did the same.

I continue to respect the beliefs of those people who do not believe in abortion, even as I celebrate daily being born in a land where separation of church and state and my constitutional right to privacy allow me control of my body and womb, for now.

Tina VanPuybroeck
junior
co-chair, NOW

Force Not Used In Abortion Decision

Of course a woman who finds herself pregnant does not think of "a blob of tissue" as being present in her body. She knows full well that if allowed to develop to full term, a baby will be the result — a baby that she will be responsible for feeding, clothing and rearing. Would you force a 13-year-old inner-city child or an 18-year-old college freshman to have that baby? Would you force either one of them to make the opposite decision and have an abortion?

The word "force" is the point. Women who have abortions do not want and deeply loved children. They terminate pregnancies which are "catastrophic," resulting, for example, from failure of birth control (worldwide, 30 million pregnancies each year).

In China, because of overpopulation, a woman must abort every pregnancy after she has two living children. In Rumania under the last dictator, guards were stationed in the workplace to monitor the pregnancies of the women workers. Every woman had a duty to the state, contribute to the workforce, regardless of whether she could provide for a child. Many women died from illegal abortions.

In this country, we have learned something; it's a compromise called Roe v. Wade. The so-called Freedom of Choice Act would never have been thought of if Roe v. Wade were not under threat and attack from those who would use the force of law to decide this sensitive issue.

Only the woman who is pregnant can know if she has the emotional, psychological, financial and familial resources to give birth to a child. Giving a baby up for adoption is not an option for every woman. Some women choose to have an abortion, no matter how painful that decision, rather than form a strong

emotional bond with a full-term baby whom they will never see again.

Whatever decision a pregnant woman finally makes should never be the result of the application of force; her decision is between her, her doctor, and her God.

Constance Smith
senior lecturer
English, linguistics and speech

World Gained Singers And Dictators

I just have a quick response to "Value Of Life Often More Important Than Freedom," in the Jan. 27 issue of the Bullet. As the conclusion of Mr. Moeller's column leaves us all pondering the possibility of how many Wynonna Judds there could have been since 1973, I find myself suddenly appreciating country music a bit more. But it also makes me wonder: perhaps Hitler's mother might have had an abortion, too.

Jennifer Benderly
sophomore

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is time for women to truly claim the "problem" as their own, and time for men to step to the side. Though women won't necessarily have a consensus of opinion without a heated struggle, the struggle rightly belongs to women. Here I call on Margaret Fuller, our own 19th-century American spokeswoman for women's self-discovery, who said, "I believe that, at present, women are the best helpers of one another. Let them think; let them act; till they know what they need. We only ask of men to remove arbitrary barriers." Her words hold true today. Men should respectfully excuse themselves from the discussion of an issue as intimately connected to women's bodies as is the abortion debate.

But empowering women's voices and muting men's does not mean that our men have no part to play in this profound difficulty. No, men can best direct their attention to the arena that belongs to them. After all, though men are not rightfully the overseers of women's bodies, they are the masters of their own (or ought to be). Given the history of their considerable interest in the abortion debate — especially as that interest is manifest in their desire to preserve life by

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Middle East, because two years later Reagan/Bush began selling weapons to the Iraqis as well. (Some foreign policy, no?) Sell weapons to Khomeini, then to Saddam Hussein, and then encourage a war between them.) As to the success of the illegal exchange under Ollie's leadership, when he took over, there were four U.S. citizens held in Iran. When he finished, there were seven. Now, I may have failed high school math, but it does seem like the terrorists won that one. Blackmail, anyone?

And since I'm on the subject, what about the abortion debate? Well, as far as I'm concerned, there is no debate, and as a man, I ought to know. My body is a vessel, hear me roar. My duty is not to question but to submit to the will of those who have power over me, to surrender willingly, to remain passive, in spite of the slings and arrows of biological destiny. I am, moreover, unmoved in my conviction that at least some of what I will agree with at least some of what I believe you are hearing. To that effect, I offer this (mostly) solemn pledge, with my right hand firmly placed on a stack of

Brooklyn Dodger baseball cards, that from this day forward, in the full light of humanity, and sometimes in the after-hours of humanity, I say I offer this undying pledge never, ever, ever to allow even the tiniest thought to crawl across the threshold of my brain which might in any way compromise or otherwise bring undue harm to my uterus. As a man I think it is imperative to stand up for what I believe is best for others.

Finally, since my [expletive] name has been included in a recent [expletive] article on Beavis & Butt-head, I feel I should set the [expletive] record straight. Problem is, I can't make sense of what it is I am quoted as [expletive] saying. Nothing new there I guess. It's just that, well, in the words of our newest cultural heroes, "This video sucks." Big time. What I mean is, I guess I'd feel [expletive] a whole lot better if I could just [expletive] blame somebody! Whomp! There it is! It's like things are out of control, y'know? Maybe if I could scapegoat somebody, if I could just hold somebody responsible for

all this [expletive] misuse of language, maybe the world wouldn't be such a [expletive] nasty place. Ok, maybe not, but it would sure make me feel [expletive] better. Hey, when your discourse is controlled by [expletive] - cartoon characters, even Wayne's World starts looking [expletive] good. Bart Simpson as president, Wile E. Coyote as secretary of defense, Dan Quayle as vice president? Sounds like the destruction of [expletive] Western values to me.

So I'm stuck with this [expletive] trying to [expletive] let loose with a good one...but who to blame, that's the question. Confidentially, I'd like to blame the [expletive] press, but [expletive], that never works. I have it on good authority that they just write this [expletive] stuff. They don't read it. Besides, I vaguely remember the reporter pledging somewhere during the interview that he, too, would never bring undue harm to that [expletive] "blob of tissue" growing in his [expletive] uterus. So on that score, I guess we're [expletive] even. B.K. Faunce is an assistant professor of English.

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Campus couples prepare to celebrate Valentine's Day together. From top left clockwise: Tomaudrie Rudd and Harry Thomas, Kerri McDonald and Daryl Stubbs, and Marnie Pasciuto and Casey Perry. Photos by Rosana Lopez.

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Valentine's Day: Sentimental Moment Or Prelude To Disaster?

By Jennifer Rice
Bullet Assistant Features Editor

It's that time of year again. The time of year when stores are filled with sentimental hearts and "I Love You" cards, florists are filled with extra employees handling the influx of flower orders and radio stations are constantly playing Michael Bolton and Kenny G dedications.

It's also the time of the year when some people say, "I really hate this holiday."

But despite the various opinions surrounding Valentine's Day, Feb. 14 is fast approaching and it cannot be ignored. So, for those who choose to wear black, or for those who are planning ways to profess their undying love, it is always helpful to hear how others feel about the infamous "Day of Love."

Senior Tom Glatt said that he has fond memories of Valentine's Day. "My parents used to turn it into a nice day, and they used to give us a couple of gifts," said Glatt. "We didn't gather around the Valentine's Day tree or anything, but it was a family day."

Junior Judy Davidow said that she also has good memories about Valentine's Day. When she was a freshman, she returned home on a train and her boyfriend was waiting at the station wearing a suit and holding three long-stem roses. After he took her home he had another surprise for her.

"He had a picnic lunch on a blanket which he laid out on his floor," said Davidow. "He even made homemade whipped cream for strawberries, and he turned out my soap opera for me to watch."

But not everyone has had pleasant Valentine's Day experiences.

"One of my worst was in the ninth grade," said senior Jenina Donahoe. "I really, really liked this boy named Jason Brown, and he asked me to go out with him on Valentine's Day. But, he asked me while I was standing with a friend of mine and out of politeness he asked her if she wanted to go with us."

Even though senior Chilli Tufekcian said that she is a hopeless romantic, she said that Valentine's Day can be depressing.

"The last time someone asked me to be their valentine was in the sixth grade," said Tufekcian. "And that's because it was an assignment to get all the classmates a card."

"The most depressing part of Valentine's Day is walking into the residence hall and seeing the front desk filled with roses, balloons, candy and teddy bears," she said.

But Renee Johnson, who is now a teacher of adult education, said that she has had a lot of good memories from the middle school students she taught.

"I remember the time that a little girl was in my class who never used to get cards or presents or anything," Johnson said. "On Valentine's Day one of the popular guys in the class put a valentine on her desk. When she got to her desk she took it and clenched it to her heart and ran around with it."

Jill Golden/Bullet

Keith Warner Kicks Off Black History Month With Lesson In Calypso Music

By Joelle Mickelsen
Bullet Staff Writer

Spring is around the corner and soon Ball Circle will be filled with students joining in on frisbee and volleyball games while the familiar sound of reggae blasts out dorm windows. But even though the music ushers in carefree feelings of summer, there is more to reggae than spring and sun.

Black History Month at Mary Washington College kicked off the annual celebration of contributions made by African-American culture to the United States with the spunkly sounds of the Caribbean musical traditions: reggae and calypso.

Guest speaker Keith Q. Warner, currently the chair of Foreign Languages and Literature at George Mason University in Fairfax, as well as a native of Port of Spain, Trinidad, spoke with a group of students, faculty and members of the community about the influence of reggae and calypso music on Caribbean and American cultures on Feb. 2.

The lecture, which was sponsored by the Black Student Association, provided students an opportunity to better understand the diversity of cultural origins among African-Americans, said Forrest Parker, vice president for multicultural affairs.

"The rationale from Mr. Warner's perspective is that he represents some of the diversity in the African-American culture," said Parker.

"Calypso is a form of music that the African-American community is rarely or hardly ever exposed to."

"[We felt] it was something unique to add to the MWC experience," he said.

While many students have not only heard, but are very familiar with the sounds of Bob Marley and Peter Tosh, Warner pointed out that these singers are only a few of the many who perform regularly and are very popular in the Caribbean.

"Calypso renews itself annually," said Warner. "Calypsos are done on and around Carnival. You have to come [to Carnival] with new calypsos. That tradition does not exist in reggae...No topic is too much and it is not always serious."



Collen Maguire/Bullet

Keith Warner explains the finer points of calypso music in his Feb. 2 lecture entitled "Literary Aspirations in Caribbean Music and Culture."

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But Warner admits his talk is only one facet of Black History Month.

"We want to show that African-Americans have a significant and different contribution," he said.

"The melting pot is not anymore the situation where you blend in. It's now a salad bar."



Collen Maguire/Bullet

Troy Thirdgill wonders how women know all the answers.

Comedian Laughs At MWC

Comedian Troy Thirdgill took topics that lately have been plastered newspaper headlines across the country and twisted the shocking stories into smiles.

Thirdgill, a comedian who has appeared on popular television shows including "In Living Color," "Martin," and Showtime's "Comedy Club," visited MWC Feb. 2 and lit up the shadowy stage with his contemporary stand-up routine.

Thirdgill said that although he has toured many colleges giving stand-up concerts, he prefers performing in clubs, where he first got his start.

"Stand-up is all me. I write, produce, direct and star. If anything goes wrong, it all falls back on me. Ever since I was young, I've wanted to be a comedian. Open mics, anywhere I could get on stage, I'd go," he said.

He also addressed issues that faced modern parents such as child violence ("Pampers is coming out with a holster"), to trying to have sex without children walking in. Thirdgill gained custody of his six year old brother when his mother died.

-Amy Dreher

For Mary Washington College, I think it was really good attendance and it was a diverse group. And it had off-campus attendance," he said.

Still, spectators gave glowing reviews after Warner's lecture.

Lillian Bullock, a Spotsylvania County resident said, "He was very entertaining, quite informative. I was also glad to hear that

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SPORTS

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Dana Hall Coach Of Year

Mary Washington College field hockey coach Dana Hall was elected as a co-recipient of the Cranberry/College Field Hockey Coaches Association Division III Coach of the Year award. Hall coached the Eagles to a 22-2 record in 1993 and a number two national ranking. Her team broke MWC records for most wins (18), most shutouts (18) and the longest winning streak (14). This was the third time Hall has led her team to the NCAA tournament since being named head coach in 1989.

Dana Hall



Sunday's Women's Basketball Box Score

Eagles 82, Bison 66

at Gallaudet Field House

MWC	43	39	82
Gallaudet	30	36	66
MWC WOMEN			
Teter 2-4 Alexander 4-0 8 May 12-2-26 Paige 9-0-18 Coates 2-1-5 Larson 1-0-2 O'Brien 1-0-2			
Turley 2-0-4 Bushman 0-0-0 Clester 5-3-13 FG% MWC .490 (30 for 77) GU .420 (31 for 73) 3-pt FG% MWC .000 (0 for 3) GU .333 (2 for 6) FT% MWC 100% (6-6)			
GU .667 (2-3) Rebounds MWC 34 (Alexander 9) GU .46 (Janda 10) Assists MWC 29 (Gleisner 7) GU 17 (Perez 8) Turnovers MWC 22 (Teter 7) GU 35 (Perez 12) Blocks MWC 7 (Alexander 4) GU 3 (3 tied with 1) Steals MWC 19 (May 6) GU 15 (Perez 7)			

Saturday's Men's Basketball Box Score

Saints 76, Eagles 75

at Marymount Butler Hall

Marymount	34	42	76
MWC	43	33	75
MWC MEN			
Johnson 2-1-5 White 3-0-8 Warren 4-7-16 Pate 5-1-11 Posey 4-3-11 Holton 2-1-5 Seward 7-1-9 Carey 0-0-0 Jerzy 0-0-0			
FG% MWC .420 (27 for 64) MU .475 (29 for 61) 3-pt FG% MWC .466 (7 for 15) MU .428 (3 for 7) FT% MWC .777 (14-18) MU .478 (11 for 23) Rebounds MWC 39 (Pate 11) MU .38 (Boatwright 10) Assists MWC 11 (3 tied with 2) MU 15 (Hancey 4) Turnovers MWC 15 (Posey, Carey 3) MU 16 (3 tied with 3) Blocks MWC 0 MU 6 (Smith, McDonald 2) Steals MWC 12 (Warren, Pate 4) MU 12 (Schau 4)			

Upcoming Events...

- Feb. 12 Men's basketball at Frostburg St. University, 2 p.m.
- Feb. 13 Mary Washington College Show (riding team) at Hazelwood Farm, 11 a.m.
- Feb. 15 Women's basketball vs. Goucher College at Goolrick Gym, 7 p.m. Men's basketball at Apprentice School, 7 p.m.
- Feb. 17 Men's basketball vs. Catholic University at Goolrick Gym, 6 p.m. Women's basketball vs. Catholic at Goolrick Gym, 6 p.m.
- Feb. 18-20 Men's and women's swimming: Capital Athletic Conference championships at Goolrick Gym, TBA

Paige and Posey Join MWC 1000 Point Club

By George Chase
Bullet Sports Editor

Although both seniors Chris Paige and Steve Posey have had great personal careers and each have passed the 1000 point mark, neither one is satisfied. They both have the team goal of winning the Capital Athletic Conference title.

"It is a tremendous honor to be one of the highest scorers in the school," said Paige, "but it is in a different category than winning the CACs. And even more than that, I would have gladly taken just 500 points for an NCAA Tournament bid."

Posey agreed. "The CAC title is the main goal. That would be a good way to go out."

For Paige, it was a bit of luck that brought her to MWC. She had applied to 10 colleges from South Carolina to New Hampshire, but MWC was not one of them. Oddly enough, it was a Marymount coach who brought her here.

"The Marymount coach came to see one of our regional games," said Paige, "but told me that Marymount was not a good school for computer science, my intended

major. She told Coach Gallahan, and then she encouraged me to apply."

Paige has never really been the go-to player for the women, but no one has been as consistent or as well-rounded a player. Looking past her seventh ranking in career scoring, one will see the complete player. She ranks second in career blocks, fourth in career steals, seventh in career assists and 10th in career rebounds.

With this kind of floor presence, it would seem that she would be an obvious choice for team leader, but ask her about it and she shies away.

"I don't play as well if I consciously have to think about being a team leader," she said. "That's just one more thing that I have to worry about on the court."

Paige has plenty to worry about off the court, let alone on it. She is a triple major in computer science, math and religion, and sports an impressive 3.85 GPA. Religion is the most important of the three for her now, as she hopes to go into campus ministry. Her affection for people is one of the reasons she is entering this field, and also why she likes her team so much.

"This is a fantastic team, people-wise," she said, "and I'm happy to be a part of it."

Posey's achievement is just as impressive considering the lack of success the men's team has had over the years, and the amount of team turmoil that usually accompanies the squad.

"We've had the potential but we were always missing something," said Posey of his previous three years. "Transfer Jamie Warren is the one thing that helped us along this year."

This is the first time in Posey's career that the Eagles have been at the .500 mark this late in the season, and he cites the



Chris Paige



Steve Posey

Career Statistics

	G	FG %	FT %	PTS	Avg Reb	Ast Blk	Stl
89-90	23	.395	.649	257	11.2	101	51
90-91	26	.378	.673	235	9.6	44	14
91-92	26	.426	.621	308	11.9	175	59
92-93	26	.426	.621	308	11.9	175	59
93-94	19	.559	.718	242	12.7	124	35
Totals	94	.431	.683	1042	11.1	496	184

Steve Posey

	G	FG %	FT %	PTS	Avg Reb	Ast Blk	Stl
90-91	27	.533	.779	317	11.7	164	26
91-92	27	.480	.600	319	11.8	164	25
92-93	25	.393	.511	220	8.8	156	31
93-94	19	.464	.531	210	11.1	138	35
Totals	98	.469	.634	1066	10.9	622	117

team's attitude as one the reasons why Team morale has not always been at its highest in the

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Swim Teams Prepare For CAC Tourney

By Colin Whitehouse
Bullet Staff Writer

In the coming weeks the men's swim team will be sporting its yearly shave and taper looks in preparation for the upcoming Capital Athletic Conference tournament.

Shaved heads simply will not do. Look for mohawks, nighthawks and eagles emblazoned upon the scalps of a handful of Mary Washington College students across the campus.

This past weekend was the final warm-up for the men's and women's swimming teams as they hosted Washington and Lee University. Although facing the same school, the results of the dual meet were different. The women captured a 117-75 win, while the men suffered a 124-81 defeat.

The Mary Washington College men's swim team now stands at 5-6, but the record is misleading in terms of the conference tournament coming up on Feb. 18-20. They will try for their fourth straight CAC title.

"We should do very well in the CAC tournament," sophomore swimmer Cordis Carter said. "Our main competition will be Catholic; however, we feel confident in bringing back our fourth straight Capital Athletic Conference title."

The women's swim team, after defeating Washington and Lee University, is 8-3. In the midst of yet another successful year, the women look to not just win their fourth straight CAC title, but to win big.

Liz Darcy, sophomore freestyle, said, "We feel very confident in our chances to win the tournament, and for



Brendan Kelly/Bullet

Sophomore Scott Wagner heads for the wall in Saturday's meet against W & L.

several of our swimmers to qualify for nationals in the process."

In the process of qualifying for nationals, both swim teams hope to help their chances by the tradition of shave and taper. The seemingly rash decision for the men's

swim team to shave strange hair-do's is not as strange as it seems.

"The idea behind shave and taper is partly mental and partly physical. Throughout the year we work out hard and our bodies get used to putting out a certain amount of energy," Carter said. "When we get near the CAC tournament we slow down our workouts and the energy is stored, or stockpiled to help us swim faster."

Cut-off times select the swimmers that qualify for nationals. As of the past weekend, sophomore Sarah King had already qualified for nationals in the 100 and 200-yard backstroke.

A few of the Eagles have started to swim their way to the top. In Saturday's meet, the women had eight first place finishes, including six different individual winners.

The only swimmer to win two individual events for the Eagles was King who took first in the 50-yard freestyle (0:26.08) and the 200-yard backstroke (2:13.27).

Four underclassmen finished first for the Eagles including three freshmen: Emily Williams, Alison Cerul, and Cynthia Owen. Sophomore Liz Darcy also touched the wall first with a time of 2:02.90 in the 200-yard freestyle.

Rounding out the winners for the Eagles was junior Amanda Dresser (2:16.11) in the 200-yard fly.

With the championships only eight days away, both teams have begun to center their attention on the big weekend.

"This is what we practice all year for. It's the most important meet," said senior Amanda Clair. "That weekend has the ultimate goal."

The schedule for the Capital Athletic Conference championships is planned as follows in the Goolrick Gym pool: trials will be held Friday the 18th and Saturday the 19th from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., and Sunday the 20th from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The finals will be held on Friday the 18th and Saturday the 19th from 7:30-9:30 p.m., and Sunday the 20th from 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Eagle Basketball Teams Survive Road Trips

By Zaki Billmeier
Special to the Bullet

The Mary Washington women's basketball team entered Sunday's contest with Gallaudet University on a bit of a backward slide. They had already dropped two games earlier in the week, first to Catholic University, and the day before to archrival Marymount. Head Coach Connie Gallahan warned her team not to let this one slip away, not to let the earlier results of the week carry over.

They didn't. The Eagles outplayed the Bison by shooting 49 percent from the floor and forcing 35 turnovers en route to a 82-66 triumph.

Junior Corinne May led all scorers with 26 points, and also had six assists and six steals. The Eagles were also helped by Chris Paige's 18 points and Chris Gleisner's 13 points and seven assists. Dyan Kouacs and Letty Perez paced Gallaudet with 16 points each.

The previous game however, was less of a success overall, as the Eagles fell to three-time defending Capital Athletic Conference champion and NCAA Division III South Region leader Marymount, 98-76.

"We let them get going early," said coach Connie Gallahan, referring to a 21-2 deficit the Eagles faced early on. "When Marymount gets leads like that they just keep scoring in spurts."

Gleisner did not want to dwell on the negatives of the game, though. "We did some things well; we kept them from getting a lot of fast breaks, but we didn't shoot or rebound as well as we usually do and that was the key," she said.

The match was something of a historic game, as senior



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Chris Gleisner and the Eagles are now 15-4.

Chris Gleisner became the seventh lady Eagle to score 1,000 more points in her career.

Gleisner went on to have a huge day, scoring 26 points to go along with six rebounds and three steals, but her effort alone was not nearly enough to overcome the balanced attack of Marymount, which saw six of its players score in double figures, and five of their players with at least 10 rebounds.

"If we are only going to beat them once this year, I would rather have it be in the CAC finals," said Gallahan. "We need to concentrate on making it that far."

The women finished the weekend at 14-4 (5-3 CAC).

After being picked to finish sixth in a seven team conference, the men's basketball team has had something to prove all season long, and last Thursday they responded.

With first place on the line, the Eagles came up with perhaps their best performance of the season against St.

Mary's College. The Eagles pulled out a 76-74 win over the Seagulls and put themselves into a CAC first-place tie at 5-2, momentarily.

Junior forward Matt Seward led the Eagles with 30 points, including several three-pointers from long-range. Seward hit 11 of 15 shots from the field including six of nine from behind the arc.

"Jamie [Warren] and I were yelling to get the ball to Matt," said senior tri-captain Jeremy White. "He was hot and we were all looking for him."

Seward was given a lot of support from Warren and junior center Scott Pate. Warren scored 13 points and pulled down seven rebounds. Pate added 11 points, including two huge free-throws in the closing moments of the game, along with a game-high nine rebounds.

Coming off of their win over St. Mary's, the Eagles traveled to Marymount University for what was to be an easy victory, but things didn't work out as they suffered a 76-75 loss.

After leading at half-time 43-34, the Eagles fell apart, due largely to Marymount's full-court pressure. The Eagles were unable to get into a fluid offense which forced several low percentage shots.

"We became tentative and never attacked the press at the end of the game," said White. "We don't know how to put teams away and that has hurt us all season."

Seward led the Eagles again in scoring with 19 points, while Warren added 16. On the boards, Pate had 11 rebounds.

The Eagles (9-9, 5-3 CAC) started off the week with an 89-81 victory over CAC defending-champion Catholic University, behind 21 points from Warren and 20 from senior Steve Posey. Senior Elgin Holston added 16 for the Eagles.

This game was also a close one for the Eagles as they

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ENTERTAINMENT

Trapped In Stone Local Sculptor Searches For Beauty In Marble

By Alex Huch
Special to the Bullet

Just as marble contains a luminous yet cold quality, Scott McKee's statues maintain the warmth of a human soul while the figures remain trapped in stone. Carved from marble that McKee hand picks and imports from Italy, these impressive works of art adorn not the lobby of some European museum, but the floor of his studio in downtown Fredericksburg.

The studio itself is more reminiscent of a warehouse than any of the grand settings one might usually call to mind for life-size marble sculptures. Furnishings are nearly non-existent, unless one considers the numerous partly finished clay pieces which, dwarfed by the sheer spaciousness of the building, are scattered about the room. The tools laying about haphazardly and the fragments of marble and fine stone dust which covers everything serve as proof that this space is dedicated to the production of art, not the comfort of those who frequent it.

Occupying a fraction of the space between the 28-foot high ceiling above and the cement floor below are three marble sculptures in varying stages of completion and a fourth block of marble, barely begun, weighing upwards of 3,000 pounds.

The block itself is from Carrara, Italy, where the white mountain tops of exposed marble are worked in a fashion similar to that of a quarry.

"I fly to Italy to choose the stones," said McKee, in an offhand tone as if it's an everyday occurrence, "although the proportions of the stone ultimately dictate what can be done. I spend a long time staring at them -- to choose it, I must be able to see something in it."

Although McKee is one of few marble sculptors in the entire United States, his down-to-earth demeanor and appearance harbor little of the attitude one might expect him to have. Rickety wooden stairs from his studio lead up to his living space above, and his main mode of transportation is a beat-up truck, which serves primarily for the movement of his sculptures.

The stones he chooses, which range from one to three tons (2,000 - 6,000 pounds), are then shipped by boat in canisters to Norfolk to be picked up by McKee in his truck. Once safely in Fredericksburg, the stones are unloaded and brought into his studio by means of a makeshift conveyor belt. Heavy duty chains and hooks which hang from the ceiling are then used to maneuver the block in order to place its chosen flat side upon a base.

The eight pieces created by McKee are all female nudes, five life-size and three half-size models; yet they are original in position and detail. For McKee, women are the most beautiful creature on this planet.

"As a man, male nudes have more of an emotional draw, but male bodies are busy -- the lines of their bodies are too broken up, [they] aren't aesthetically pleasing. Women have elongated lines which flow together. They aren't only female nudes, they're carved by a man and therefore have part of me, my imagination in them," said McKee.

Contrary to how it may appear, the hard part has just begun. According to McKee, "Carving rock is time and labor intensive. One piece, from 1,500 to 3,000 hours are spent on a piece, that's approximately one and a half years of working 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day." His major tools consist of an air-powered chisel with



McKee works intently on another life-like creation.

Courtesy Photo

a tip no wider than 3/4 inch, a file which looks remarkably like an oversized nail file, and sandpaper.

McKee sees the process of his work in primarily two stages: the initial urge to create a piece and the push for completion. "Both are similar to a [human] relationship, in that if you want more you must give more," he said. "An enormous amount of energy goes into them. After a while they literally make your skin crawl."

McKee spends a great deal of time on details. One piece, begun in the winter of 1989, was just recently

"She was saying, 'Finish me! Finish me!' the entire time -- but you can't go from start to finish without something on the side which provides a bit of instant gratification -- such as drawing or modeling in clay,"

McKee said.

McKee's nudes are so detailed and life like that they appear almost real, yet they are not the carbon copy of a female model. Instead, McKee has found the best approach is a mixture of creative ideas and a live model. He

explained that he finds models helpful when the creative ideas run dry for the details, like fingernails.

McKee, a native of Norfolk, Va., began drawing female nudes at the age of six and knew then that he wanted to be an artist. Having decided this, however, he acknowledged that it has not been a decision that sits easily with day-to-day living.

"Knowing what you want to do has its ups and downs -- when you have something which drives you nothing can come between you, not a girlfriend, a wife, nothing. You tend to protect it selfishly, sometimes at the expense of others and their feelings."

McKee's teenage years were spent in upstate New York, and upon completion of high school in Arlington, Va., he attended college in Wisconsin. After his first year in college he traveled to Europe

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From Brass To Ashes Local College Club Burns Down

By Cara Biela
Bullet Staff Writer

A once popular college hang-out, the Brass Rail, located at 314 Chatham Square Shopping Center, burned to the ground on Jan. 8, 1994. The cause of the fire is still under investigation, but arson is suspected.

Casper Coston, a volunteer Stafford firefighter, believes the cause of the fire to be arson. "A dog trained to detect gas, kerosene, or any other flammable liquids, found eight or nine spots where somebody might have used something," Coston said.

Fragment of glass were also found by the side entrance of the Brass Rail, leading firefighters to believe an illegal entry had occurred. Coston said that pieces of glass indicate a probable break-in because the other glass panes on the building that contorted and twisted due to the extreme heat did not shatter.

Firefighters also found the door knob of the side door in an open position, leading them to hypothesize that someone might have smashed the window to enter and then opened the door to let themselves out, according to Coston.

The Stafford County Fire Marshal, Curt Alvis, would not comment on the conclusive findings of the investigation or the question of whether the owner might be involved in insurance fraud. However, the Marshal did say that the information would be released to the public shortly. "It is believed to be arson, but the

department has turned it over to the State Fire Marshal," he said.

The owners of the Brass Rail, John Karousos, Gregory Pelivandis, and Durrell Baggett, have unlisted phone numbers and could not be reached for comment.

Mary Washington students have had mixed reactions to the destruction of the Brass Rail. The nightclub, known by many students as the place that let everybody in, will be missed by senior Tara Hollin. "It was my favorite place to go. The owner had better rebuild it," she said.

In comparison, many have expressed little more than ambivalence in regards to the loss of the nightclub.

Dave Evans, an MWC senior said, "It was a three week fad. I went twice and think that I may have had fun once."

Junior Beth McConnell said that she found the Brass Rail a fun place to go because of the music they played, but sometimes found the crowd to be disenchanted.

"There were always a bunch of townies who sat around and watched you. It was not as clean as Sophia Street Station,"



A firefighter suspects arson in the bar burning.

Kim Sisker/Bullet



Last year, some students enjoyed dancing at the Brass Rail.

File Photo

Klein Theater "An Empty Shell"

By Eric Edwards
Bullet Assistant Entertainment Editor

Misconceptions and rumors have fueled the controversy over whether or not construction in duPont Hall has structurally damaged Klein Theater. Gregg Stull, assistant professor of drama and the chairman of the dramatic arts and dance programs, said that there has been no major problem with the renovation of the building, but construction has caused some difficulties with Klein Theater.

"In the renovation of the fine arts building, we understood that the theater would not be touched. However, to accomplish some of the renovations, systems which run through the theater have been affected," Stull said.

The complications mainly affect the fly system, which is the mechanical system in the theater that moves the curtains. In order to bring air conditioning and heat to the renovated duPont building, ducts had to be installed in the theater to provide that ventilation, and these ducts interfered with the fly system.

Stull explained that the architect, Ed Todd, of the Richmond-based architectural firm of Rawlings-Wilson, and the contractors of Southwood Builders have been working together to ventilate the room without harming or disabling the fly system. The plan may be to raise the ventilation system over the fly system.

While the fly system is the greatest concern for the dramatic arts department, there have been some other unexpected problems due to the renovations. For example, the side doors from the audience to the back stage have been sealed shut with concrete blocks, and there has been a loss of storage space for the theater.

Stull said that much of the consternation surrounding the ordeal is caused because he initially understood that the theater would not be touched by the renovations.

"Right now the theater is an empty shell, and it will take us an academic year to bring it back to where it was before

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What's Up



Feb. 11-12: Play, "R.I.O.T." by the Black Renaissance Theater Company, Dodd Auditorium. Friday Feb. 11 at 7 p.m., Saturday Feb. 12 at 2 p.m., free admission.

Sunday, Feb. 13: Shanghai Quartet concert at the Central Rappahannock Regional Library Theatre, 1201 Caroline St., 2 p.m. For program information and reservations call (703) 899-9336.

Tuesday, Feb. 15: Lecture, "Knowing Eve: Edenic Bliss or Fallen Fate" presented by James Goehring, associate professor of religion. At 3:05 in Trinkle room 204. This is part of a course entitled "Mysterium Humanum," sponsored by the MWC Department of Classics, Philosophy and Religion.

Movies at Dodd

Thursday, Feb. 10 (10 p.m.) and Saturday, Feb. 12 (10 p.m.) "Menace II Society"

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I love you guys and I'm not just
saying
this because I'm.....
-Caroline

Goldie-
Never lose the curls or the sweet-
ness.
-Love Darkee

Bussina-
You're a dancing Bombshell.
-Luv ya, the Loomee
Roomie

Luar and Steph-
Happy Valentine's Day!
I love you guys.
-Steph

Hi Jane-
-Love Leroy

John Travolta-
Keep the Saturday Night fever
going baby!!!

Hey Rosie-
Bored much on a Saturday night?
For a load of laughs, rent "The
Jerk"

-Love Piggy

To all the Women of Jefferson 3rd
middle-
Our hall bonding has been a blast-
-Love the girls from 311

Slash Jenny & She-
Ready for our first Sunday school
together? Can't wait!
-Sun

Holly,
You're the best roomie ever.
Happy Valentine's Day!
-Steph

Erin and Kathy,
Can't wait till this weekend.
thanks for being such "cool"
friends.
-Badger

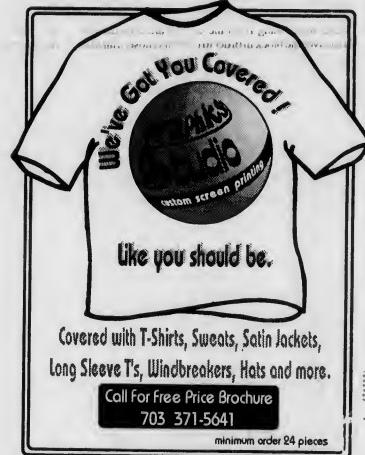
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the construction," said Stull. The theater will need rewiring, reorganization of storage space and general clean-up before it is in the same shape it was in before the construction.

Rawlings-Wilson is in charge of the architectural renovations of the Fine Arts complex. Todd, who is in charge of the architectural redesign of the complex, was unavailable for comment on the progress of the construction or the problems with the theater, but a representative of the firm said that he would prefer not to disclose information pertaining to the progress of duPont.

Junior Jason Bryan, a drama major, said that the changes will have positive as well as negative effects on the

students next year. On the down side there will be a readjustment period. "It will take some time trying to get people reintroduced to the new space, and a different backstage," he said.

"I think that moving back in to a different building will help us prepare for our future. It will help us to adjust to different places," he said. Bryan also said that their productions should be on schedule, which he feels is important.

Bryan explained that many of the problems might have been due to a lack of knowledge of the theater by the renovators. "What they really needed was a theater consultant to tell them what they could and could not do to the theater," he said.

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"Valentine's Day can be a very happy time or a sad time, especially during adolescence," said Johnson.

Valentine's Day also puts a lot of pressure on getting not only a gift, but the "right gift." But junior Allison Shaw said that she feels Valentine's Day has been overcommercialized.

"I think it's just another holiday who's real meaning has been warped, twisted and mangled by Hallmark and T.V. sitcoms," said Shaw.

According to Brenda Lejendre, a sales associate at Dameron's Hallmark in the Park and Shop, Valentine's Day is one of the most popular holidays.

"But, Valentine's is like any other holiday. The day of the day before is the biggest selling day," said Lejendre.

Lejendre said that this year a popular seller has been a new Hallmark card that contains a personal recorded message on the inside. Lejendre said that the new item has been selling very well, as well as serious cards.

At Sweet City, a candy shop in

Spotsylvania Mall, a popular selling item is helium balloons that contain something in the middle. For instance, a customer can have a stuffed animal put in the middle of the balloon.

"We've been selling a lot of them," said sales associate Jody McCartney. "We also sell a lot of chocolate roses and we're going to be selling Valentine's Day mugs."

And the employees at Renato Ristorante are especially looking forward to the holiday. Saul Garcia, a waiter at the Italian restaurant said that usually Renato's is booked at least two days in advance, and business flourishes that day.

Audrey Garcia said that anything can be expected to happen. "Last year a guy proposed to a lady and got the waiter to her ring on a dish with parsley," said Garcia.

But dinner is not what sophomore Jon Pack has planned. "I think me and my girlfriend are going to smuggle up and watch 'Under Siege' with Steven Seagal," said Pack.

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needed a big steal from White which led to a Holston layup in the closing moments to help seal the victory.

The Eagles have three more conference games before the CAC tournament, which begins Feb. 22. The Eagles will host the tournament if they can hold on to first place.

To do this, the Eagles must continue to win on the road and get something going at home where they have struggled with a 4-6 home record.

"We have to play much better at home. Until we do that we're not going anywhere," said White.

Deadline Update:

In Tuesday night's action, the women defeated Gallaudet University for the second time in three days, winning 97-77 in Goolrick Gym. The Eagles are now 15-4 (6-3 CAC).

Corinne May again led Eagle scorers with 26 points and added seven steals. Jeannette Alexander had a big game with 15 points and 14 rebounds, and Chris Gleisner had 20 points.

The men were close to Gallaudet late in the game but were held off, losing 74-68, to drop to 9-10 (5-4 CAC). Matt Seward continued his hot streak by pouring in 24 points, including five three-pointers. MWC could only force nine Bison turnovers in the loss.

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past bunch of years.

"Me, Jeremy White and Scott Pate, the tri-captains, have held meetings," he said. "We want people to commit themselves, and this year our team is much better."

For a player who did not think he would get much playing time when he came to MWC, he has turned into one of the Eagle's finest all-time inside players. The 6'5" post player is seventh in career scoring and is sixth in career rebounds.

Posey would agree with most MWC student athletes that feel that being a Division III athlete is short on glamour and long on struggle. Whereas the Charlie Wards of Division I have the fame and limelight to make up for the fact that they have lost time for school work, the Steve Poseys of the world do not.

"A lot of professors are understanding," he said. "But some teachers just don't care if you've had a long away game or just can't get the work done on time. It's hard on Division III athletes, but never so much that I'd quit."

According to the lawsuit, Hall was also advised by a responsible faculty member that "racism, however subtle, has to be taken into account when you examine faculty evaluations of Jimmy." The complaint states that Hall looked at the comments of both students and faculty concerning Jiminez's performance in the classroom. The complaint also states that Jiminez asked to appear before the economics department faculty to answer questions and to defend his performance, but Rycroft turned down the request.

According to the lawsuit, Hall also based his decision to terminate Jiminez's contract on Jiminez's failure to complete his dissertation after three

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to visit friends and "just never came back."

He enrolled at the Ecole Des Beaux Arts in Brussels, Belgium and graduated five years later.

His first two pieces were in granite,

which is typically quite difficult to carve; accordingly, he found them "discouraging and unresponsive," and dropped carving for a while. This, as well as a high cost of living, precipitated his eventual return to the United States.

McKee settled in Fredericksburg in 1983 because he felt that it was a good place to hide out. He promptly heard of a soapstone quarry in the Charlottesville area and decided to try carving in upon the completion of his first figurative piece in soapstone, he liked it so much he bought 10 tons of the material. He placed his second soapstone piece in a gallery in Alexandria, and it sold the next morning.

According to McKee,

the unfortunate quality of soapstone is that it shows well only in certain types of light. But marble is soft, translucent and lit from within, according to McKee, and always shows well and is therefore the ultimate pinnacle of stone in which to carve. There are several American marble quarries, but Carrara marble, because of its irregularly shaped

crystals, allows the penetration of light to an approximate depth of one inch, which results in better translucency. It lends itself to detail and is therefore considered of higher quality. It is also more cost effective to fly to Italy and have stones shipped home than to buy American marble, McKee said.

High levels of carbon monoxide, which eat into the skin of marble, prevent the placement of McKee's sculptures outside. He did, however, speak of doing more work in granite because it is impervious to outside elements. The drawback is that special tools, different than those used for marble, are needed.

"I spend a long time staring at [the marble stones]...to choose it, I must be able to see something in it."

Consistent with his unassuming manner and appearance, McKee was unwilling to discuss the final cost of any of his works, although he mentioned that his clientele market consists mostly of 35- to 65-year-olds, many of whom are entrepreneurs. For him, it is more about "someone who feels and understands" his works than the price tag. Similar for many artists, the recession has generated a "killer market" for what he produces, but McKee refuses to compromise his work and knows that at 36 he is a "virtual newcomer to the sculpting field."

- Scott McKee,
sculptor



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years at the college even though the faculty handbook does not establish a deadline for completion of the dissertation by an untenured faculty member. The complaint also states that two white economics faculty members who evaluated Jiminez took three and five years respectively to complete their dissertations while employed in tenure-track positions at the college.

Faculty members are typically eligible to apply for tenure at the end of their fifth year of employment at the college. Jiminez was employed from August 1989 to May 15, 1993.

In dismissing Jiminez, the college cited poor student evaluations as another reason, but in his complaint Jiminez states that he provided Hall with signed statements from some of his students who said that other students who were disgruntled because of their grades conspired to give Jiminez poor student evaluations.

The Bullet interviewed several current economics majors about

Jiminez, and all said they had had positive experiences in Jiminez's classes. Junior Chris Ensign, an economics major who took four classes under Jiminez, said Jiminez was a helpful and effective instructor.

"I wish he was still here because I got a lot out of his classes," Ensign said.

Ensign added, however, that he knew of some people who did not like Jiminez and used the student evaluations to vent their frustrations.

"I remember people around me screwing him on the evaluations,

and they were the people who missed classes and got bad grades and were trying to get back at him," Ensign said.

Former Assistant Professor of Biological Sciences Dan Abel, who said he was asked by Jiminez to testify at the trial on Monday, attended Jiminez's classes for about one-third of a semester last year to learn about environmental economics.

"I can verify that [Jiminez's] classroom teaching is more effective," Abel said.

Anthony Jiminez

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